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**To:** Inpatient Hospitals  
Outpatient Hospitals  
Managed Care Plans

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**Subject: Billing Changes for MAA Inpatient Clients who are eligible for  
Medicare Part B Benefits but are not eligible for Medicare Part A Benefits**

**Effective immediately!** Discontinue entering the “\*M” indicator in the Payer Identification field on inpatient hospital claims for clients who are eligible for Medicare Part B benefits but who are **not** eligible for Medicare Part A benefits (or who have exhausted their coverage for the period of dates of service).

### **What has changed?**

MAA **no longer accepts** claims with the “\*M” in the Payer Identification field. **All claims with a “\*M” in this field will be rejected.**

### **How do I complete inpatient hospital claims that are reimbursed using the Diagnosis Related Groups (DRG) payment method?**

#### **Hard copy claims:**

- Enter Medicare Part B in form locator 50 (A,B,C);
- Enter the amount Medicare paid for the Part B hospital charges in the corresponding line of form locator 54 (A,B,C); and
- Attach the Explanation of Medicare Benefit (EOMB) Parts A & B to the claim.

#### **Electronic claims:**

- Enter Medicare Part B in the appropriate Payer Identification field;
- Enter the amount that Medicare paid for the Part B charges in the appropriate Prior Payments field; and
- Attach the EOMB Parts A & B to the claim.

## How do I complete inpatient hospital claims that are reimbursed using the Ratio of Costs-to-Charges (RCC) payment method?

### Hard copy claims:

- Remove Medicare Part B charges related to the hospital stay from the claim or put them in form locator 48 (noncovered charges field); and
- Attach the EOMB Part A to the claim.

### Electronic claims:

- Remove Medicare Part B charges related to the hospital stay from the claim or put them in form locator 48 (noncovered charges field); and
- Attach the EOMB Part A to the claim.

## How do I access WaMedWeb?

If you wish to conduct business electronically with Washington State Medicaid, go to:

<http://wamedweb.acs-inc.com>

## How can I get MAA's provider issuances?

To obtain MAA's provider numbered memoranda and billing instructions, go to MAA's website at <http://maa.dshs.wa.gov> (click on the **Billing Instructions/Numbered Memoranda** or **Provider Publications/Fee Schedules** link).

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